NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA
ST. CROIX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2007 – 9:00 A.M.
St. Croix County Government Center - 1101 Carmichael Road, Hudson, Wisconsin

CALL TO ORDER
INVOCATION: Pastor Mark Schreiber, Family of Christ Lutheran Church, Houlton, Wisconsin
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
ROLL CALL
ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR REPORT
REVIEW OF AGENDA
CONSENT AGENDA (Unless separation of an item is requested, all will be adopted in one motion.)

1. Minutes of Previous Session – January 16, 2007
2. Date of Next Meeting – April 17, 2007 - 9:00 A.M.
3. Rezonings – Dennis Neumann, Town of Somerset, Ag to Ag-Res; *Ted and Bergetta Anderson, Town of St. Joseph, Ag to Ag-Res
4. Mileage and Per Diem
5. Resolution Authorizing the Issuing of ID Cards to St. Croix County Supervisors

APPOINTMENTS:

OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution on the Designation of Elder Adult-At-Risk and Adult-At-Risk Agencies
2. Resolution Designating April 2 – 6, 2007 as “Work Zone Safety and Awareness Week” in St. Croix County
3. Resolution Urging a Ban on the Artificial Feeding of Deer
4. Resolution approving the Paid Time-Off Donation Policy
6. Resolution Re-Approving Fourth Judgeship in St. Croix County
7. *Amendments to St. Croix County Code of Ordinances Land Use and Development Chapter 13 Land Division – Sections 13.10 and 13.2
8. *Resolution Approving the New Position of Human Resources Administrator, Reorganizing Human Resources Positions and Functions and Authorizing Funding
9. Nursing Home Report

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Veterans Service Office; Public Protection Committee report regarding Medical Examiner’s investigation of Fentanyl; *Administration Committee report regarding decorum bylaw

COUNTY CLERK’S REPORT OF CORRESPONDENCE AND REZONING REQUESTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURN

(Items may be taken in different order)

* Changes or Additions after the Preliminary Agenda** Late Changes and Additions
Regular Meeting

March 20, 2007

Invocation given by Pastor Mark Schreiber of Family of Christ Lutheran Church in Houlton, Wisconsin. Pledge of Allegiance recited. Meeting called to order by Chair Malick at 9:00 a.m.


Administrative Coordinator Report: Administrative Coordinator Chuck Whiting reported the Nursing Home Proposal Review Committee has chosen Christian Community Homes of Hudson, Inc. as the preferred service provider from the RFP process. This committee is initiating negotiations with them for possible proposal for the County Board to consider. Whiting reminded Supervisors after next month’s meeting the County Supervisors Goal Setting Session will be held in the County Board Room. Whiting indicated the position of Human Resources Administrator was approved by the Finance Committee and Supervisors will act on this later in the meeting.

Chair Malick announced item 5 on the consent agenda will be removed from the consent agenda and acted on separately. Veterans Service Officer will not report today but rather reschedule to a future month. The Administration Committee report regarding decorum will be moved to the April meeting.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Supr. Gunderson, 2nd by Supr. Mortensen to adopt the consent agenda approving the minutes of the January 16, 2007 County Board Session; setting the next County Board meeting for April 17, 2007; approving rezoning Ordinance #747(2007) for Dennis Neumann, Town of Somerset, rezoning property from Ag to Ag-Residential and Ordinance #748(2007) for Ted and Bergetta Anderson, Town of St. Joseph, rezoning property from Ag to Ag-Residential; approving mileage and per diem for December 2006 in the amount of $5,780.68, January 2007 in the amount of $6,307.18 and February 2007 in the amount of $7,797.36. Carried unanimously.

Resolution #2(2007) authorizing the Issuing of ID Cards to the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors. Motion by Supr. Mehls, 2nd by Supr. Speer to approve. Malick stated Human Resource staff is prepared to issue ID cards today in the Administration suite during break or after the meeting. Carried unanimously.

Appointments: None

OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution #3(2007) on the Designation of Elder Adult-At-Risk and Adult-At-Risk Agencies. Motion by Supr. Wentz, 2nd by Supr. Troyer to approve. This resolution designates the Department of Health and Human Services as St. Croix County’s “Elder Adult-At-Risk Agency” pursuant to Chapter 46 of the Wisconsin Statutes, and the Department of Health and Human Services as St. Croix County’s “Adult-At-Risk Agency” pursuant to Chapter 55 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Supr. Marzolf requested the effective date of March 1, 2007 be changed in the resolution to indicate “immediately upon adoption of this resolution”. Motion by Supr. Marzolf, 2nd by Supr. Cramer to delete the effective date of March 1, 2007 and replace it with “immediately upon adoption of this resolution”. Carried. Action on main motion as amended carried unanimously.


3. Resolution #5(2007) Urging a Ban on the Artificial Feeding of Deer. Motion by Supr. Raymond, 2nd by Supr. Marzolf to approve. The resolution supports a ban on the artificial feeding of deer in St. Croix County and throughout Wisconsin and appeals to the State Legislature to enact legislation that would ban the artificial feeding of deer. Bob Heise and Dr. Mike Reiter were present. Supr. Struemke asked for an explanation for the concern other than transmitting tuberculosis and CWD. Supr. Marzolf explained the risk for transmitting the diseases to farm animals. The feeding of deer not on farmland is a reason for concern. Supr. Cramer asked why there is no particular exception for agricultural producers and noted Supr. Peavey objected to the resolution. Supr. Raymond stated Dr. Mike Reiter from the Sport’s Alliance brought it forward to the Land and Water Conservation Committee and the committee felt the science supported the need for the county to support the legislation. Bob Heise and Dr. Mike Reiter were present. Heise stated the intent is specifically the feeding of deer. Carried.
4. **Resolution #6(2007) approving the Paid Time-Off Donation Policy.** Motion by Supr. Krueger, 2nd by Supr. Wentz to approve. The resolution adopts a policy that allows county employees to donate accrued PTO to other county employees that have or soon will have consumed all their accrued PTO due to personal or family catastrophic or life-threatening health issues, and that the policy be presented to the collective bargaining units for consideration and approval. Supr. Marzolf commended the Finance Committee and Finance Director Michelle Pietrick for creating this plan. Carried unanimously.

5. **Barnes Consulting, Inc. Report on Government Center Property.** Dennis Welsch from Barnes Consulting, Inc. explained alternative development on what could occur on the Government Center site. Welsch summarized meetings held with the neighborhood, business, government and non-profit groups. Welsch highlighted responses and ideas from each of the groups. The Barnes Consulting group will consolidate this information and bring it back to the County Board for consideration and action, and then to the City of Hudson for consideration for the city’s comprehensive planning in 2007 and 2008.

Supr. Struemke led the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

Supr. Raymond stressed the importance of hearing from the citizens and suggested holding a citizen meeting in the Baldwin area, which is centrally located, to broaden the input. Welsch stated the Finance Committee directed Barnes to outreach through a survey to gain more input from county committees and residents. Chair Malick stated the upshot is to make an online survey available for anybody in the county to complete. As soon as Barnes completes the summaries of the meetings and surveys, the information will be placed on the county’s website. Chair Malick encouraged supervisors to speak to their constituents. Chair Malick added this will be made known through the media and if necessary, paid advertising.

Supr. Rebholz stated this property is located in his district and has discussed this matter with a number of people. Supr. Rebholz stressed not to get into a rush to sell and to explore all avenues to do the best job of putting this land in the hands of people who will use it in the next 50 to 100 years. Supr. Rebholz noted Barnes has done a good study but it is far from complete.

6. **Resolution #7(2007) Re-Approving Fourth Judgeship in St. Croix County.** Motion by Supr. Krueger, 2nd by Supr. Wentz to approve. Judges Lundell, Vlack and Needham were present. Judge Needham stated in January 2005 a similar resolution was approved by the County Board. Judge Needham explained the process of the study in terms of time tracking to determine need. Currently, the judicial need in St. Croix County is 4.76, changing the county’s ranking from 11th to 9th. Needham added the committee of Chief Judges met on March 9, 2007 and approved seven new judgeships with St. Croix included as one of the seven. Judge Needham explained this will go to the Supreme Court to draft a bill and will get addressed by the legislature. If approved, the effective date for the new judgeship will be August 2008. Supr. Struemke expressed concerns regarding costs to the county. Chair Malick noted there may be correspondence requests from the Clerk of Court for support staff and office equipment. Discussion regarding impacts on District Attorney and Public Defenders. Carried unanimously.

7. **Ordinance #749(2007) approving Amendments to St. Croix County Code of Ordinances Land Use and Development Chapter 13 Land Division Sections 13.10 and 13.2.** Motion by Supr. Burri, 2nd by Supr. Troyer to approve. Planning and Zoning Director David Fodroczi reported these amendments were initiated through a number of town officials and landowners in the county, and were principally led by Mary Murphy, Kinnicinnic Town Chair. Fodroczi explained there were concerns with the way the ordinance had been adopted last year for any plats that had setbacks recorded on the lots on the final plat. The way the ordinance was originally adopted would only apply to vacant lots and there were landowners that had some issues as it applied to lots containing structures.

Fodroczi explained this eliminates the language that limited changing the setback on the plat only to vacant lots to allow structures, and added the opportunity for landowners who developed their lot to go through a review process with the committee and reduce those setbacks. The other amendment eliminates the requirement to put the setback on the final plats which has caused issues in the past. Landowners are still required to submit setback information as part of preliminary plat process. The setbacks are covered and established through the zoning ordinance. A number of towns which have their own subdivision ordinance are trying to impose greater setbacks.

Supr. Luckey expressed concerns regarding not showing setbacks on CSMs and plats for navigable bodies of waters. Fodroczi responded all setbacks are included with submittals on the preliminary plat in establishing contiguous buildable areas.

Supr. Awsumb thanked the Planning and Zoning Committee for moving this forward and urged Supervisors to vote in favor of the amendments.

Supr. Norton-Bauman expressed concerns regarding existing properties with buildings that met the setback requirements and now do not with the new requirements. How will they meet the new requirement to get back into compliance and what is cost to the landowner? Fodroczi explained there is waiver process in the ordinance but there would still need to be public input so it would require a public hearing and notice to adjoining landowners. The fee is approximately $800.00.
Supr. Raymond asked if a landowner who was in compliance and after the ordinance changed is not in compliance can that get rectified without paying the fee. Fodroczi explained the changes last year reduced the setbacks. In most cases landowners are without any problem in compliance with setbacks in the ordinance as they are now. They have been bound because the setback was placed on the plat when the lot was initially platted.

Supr. Jordan left the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Discussion regarding how will landowners know the setbacks if not indicated on the plat. Fodroczi confirmed setbacks are identified on preliminary plats.

Motion carried.

8. Resolution #8a(2007) Approving the New Position of Human Resources Administrator, Reorganizing Human Resources Positions and Functions and Authorizing Funding. Motion by Supr. Krueger, 2nd by Supr. Wentz to approve. Supr. Borup asked why is this being requested mid-year and now is there more personnel in the Human Resource Department than in the old system. Whiting reported the net increase is one position which is not in the 2007 budget. Whiting stated the proposal is to create an additional human resource position with a job title of Human Resources Administrator to administer the human resources functions of the county, and to place that position in non-represented employee Pay Grade 9. This person will report to the Administrative Coordinator. Question regarding creating the Personnel Committee for oversight of Human Resources. Supr. Standafer stated his indication so far is the structure is working successfully but there is a need for workers and less supervisors. Supr. Standafer added at this time there is no need for a Personnel Committee.

Supr. Rebholz asked what is the difference in responsibilities of the Human Resource Administrator and the Human Resource Specialist. Whiting stated the Human Resource Specialist is currently responsible for the management and input of employee data. The Human Resource Administrator will work with or on behalf of the Administrative Coordinator in collective bargaining including labor relations, review union contracts and maintaining the personnel handbook. The Personnel Manager’s main duty is hiring functions including interviewing and support for departments to recruit and fill positions.


9. Nursing Home Report. Human Services Director Fred Johnson reported Nursing Home Review Committee reviews the proposals that put the county in the best position to look at options regarding the Nursing Home. Chair Malick stated the meetings have mostly been held in closed session. Johnson reminded the Supervisors the timeline to identify some sort of transaction is the third calendar quarter of 2007. Johnson stated the law firm of DeWitt, Ross and Stevens has been retained to represent the county’s interest in this process.

Supr. Speer expressed concerns regarding hearing comments from discussions held in the Nursing Home Review committee’s closed sessions.

Committee and Department Reports:

Veterans Service Office. County Veteran Service Officer Lorin Sather was not available.

Public Protection Committee Report Regarding Medical Examiner’s Investigation of Fentanyl. Supr. Speer indicated information from the Public Protection Committee has been distributed along with a report from the Health and Human Services Board regarding fentanyl and actions of the Public Health Nurse. Supr. Krueger stated he was satisfied with the responses. Supr. Mehl recognized and thanked Casey Swetlik for his efforts and in depth investigation of the fentanyl issue. There have been three deaths in St. Croix County involving fentanyl.

Supr. Gunderson requested committee and department reports be given after the consent agenda to allow department heads to return to work in the event the meeting runs long. Chair Malick stated this would involve a change to rules and bylaws and will refer this to the Administration Committee to report back no later than the May County Board meeting.

Administration Committee Report Regarding Decorum Bylaw: This matter will be addressed at the April County Board meeting.

County Clerk’s Report of Correspondence and Rezoning Requests: County Clerk Cindy Campbell reported rezoning hearings scheduled for the Planning and Zoning Committee: Wayne C. Alvermann, Ag to Ag-Res. In the Town of Cylon; Christopher Kath, Ag-Res to Commercial in the Town of St. Joseph; and one new rezoning application submitted but not scheduled for Larry and Mary Bauer, Ag to Ag-Res in the Town of Troy.

2/11/2011 10:44 AM
County Clerk Campbell read a thank you note from Lois Burri.

**Announcements:** Chair Malick announced the April meeting will be followed by Goal Setting Session.

**Adjourn.** Chair Malick adjourned the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

Clarence W. Malick, Chair, St. Croix County Board of Supervisors
Cindy Campbell, County Clerk

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